

Lake Park Villager

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CLERK'S CORNER

Upcoming Lake Park town meetings:

December 12 – 7:00 PM Village Council Meeting NOTE: Parks and Rec will not meet in December

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

LAKE PARK SINGLES GROUP (FOR SINGLES OVER 45)

DECEMBER 7, 7:00 PM, COMMUNITY CENTER

LAKE PARK HOA ANNUAL MEETING

DECEMBER 11, 7:00 PM, FAITH UMC SANCTUARY

LAKE PARK GARDEN CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY

DECEMBER 18, 6:00 PM, COMMUNITY CENTER

LAKE PARK SINGLES GROUP (FOR SINGLES OVER 45)

JANUARY 4, 7:00 PM, COMMUNITY CENTER

LP TOWNHOME ASSOCIATION QUARTERLY MEETING

JANUARY 15, 6:30 PM, COMMUNITY CENTER

LAKE PARK ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP

JANUARY 16, 7:00 AM - 9:00 AM, COMMUNITY CENTER

LAKE PARK PLUS INVESTMENT CLUB, MEMBER NAIC

JANUARY 24, 7:00 PM, 5409 CREFT CIRCLE

Season's Greetings and Best Wishes From Lake Park







Welcome Home - Clean Streets

It takes a village to make it home. In 2003, Lake Park Council responded to our village's problem of unsightly trash at the curb five days a week, by contracting collection service for the entire village for one day a week. In 2005, the village upgraded to a reliable contractor which has rarely missed any home. Resident interest and cooperation is still important: pulling emptied carts and bins out of sight is a welcome contribution to the beauty of Lake Park. Everyone appreciates it, even those who approach their homes via an alley enjoy lanes that are uncluttered by carts and bins six days a week.

Thanks to everyone as you take pride in your own neighborhood; taking a moment to pick up litter and to stash carts and bins out of view Friday through Wednesday. And thanks to all who enjoy traditional clean up and special decorating for the holidays! Lots of visitors drive through our picturesque village this time of year so it's our time to shine and helps our local businesses too. This is a great time for a convenient meal from Li's Chinese Cafe, garment renewal at Lake Park Dry Clean, personal attention at Family Hairloom, and a heartwarming beverage break at Fireside Coffee.

Security Report

For October 2006

New Deputy Named – The Sheriff's office named another deputy assigned to Lake Park. Deputy Ryan Tomberlin will be serving along with Jason Miles. With the second officer Lake Park will now have 80 hours of dedicated coverage enabling a deputy to be in the village virtually every day of the week.

November's report for the Union County Sheriff's office shows that they responded to a total of 72 calls within the village. The greatest amount of calls was for traffic enforcement (17) and for general disturbances (19). Officers

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For Your Information...

LAKE PARK CHRISTIAN ACADEMY has begun the search for a new administrator. Bill Kamm, outgoing Administrator and resident, has served the Academy for 11 years, from the original first class in a Community Center classroom through multiple expansions and today's full elementary, middle, and high school curriculum. Mr. Kamm's faithful dedication to the finest in Christian education not only led the Academy to full accreditation but also represents an invaluable legacy to Lake Park.

Lake Park in Print

Lake Park is now included in *Heritage of Union County, Vol II*. The publisher included a historical aerial view of Lake Park Academy and surrounding neighborhoods in the book's endpapers in addition to an article about our village.

Tree Honors our Heroes

For this year's Christmas season, the Parks and Recreation Commission has decorated a tree with blue lights. This is to honor and recognize law enforcement, firefighters, and our military. The tree is located at the Lake Park sign on Faith Church Rd. on the right side when entering the village from Secrest Short Cut.

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Miles and Tomberlin would also like to remind residents to lock your cars and to keep valuables out of sight. This along with regular home security like closing your garage door, having lights on timers, and keeping Christmas trees watered will make your holidays safe and enjoyable.

Waste Collection Update

Third Collection Truck Added

Action Garbage Service has begun circulating a third truck, for yard waste only, in addition to their garbage collection compacter truck and their recycling truck. Three separate same day pickups ensure AGS compliance with the Union County landfill restrictions. Lake Park residents should continue to bag dirt, shrub or grass clippings separately and place the bags next to the recycle bin. Trash carts are for normal household garbage only. All collection will still be completed on Thursdays. Action's hotline: (704) 821-7578

Growing in Lake Park

Lake Park Family Practice Expansion

An Economic Development Report

Douglas S. Chen, M. D. has added a long-time Lake Park resident to his staff: Marleen P. Traywick, F.N.P. joined the practice on November 6. The offices have added 3 new examining rooms and now have a staff of seven. "We look forward to being able to serve more patients with an appointment on the same day they call us," Dr. Chen explained. Office hours have also been expanded. Effective December 1: Monday-Friday 8am-5:30pm with 7am-7pm on Thursday. His office confirmed that flu vaccine is in plentiful supply. For more information: (704) 882-1666.

Economic Development Workshop

On Tuesday, January 16, Lake Park business leaders are invited to the first quarterly workshop for 2007. This New Year workshop will provide tips for setting goals, for making realistic marketing plans to grow the success of their operations and offer tips learned by an owner who learned how to turn a business around. Leaders are invited from local businesses, schools and churches as the Lake Park community pulls together for economic strength. Workshop begins at 7am and ends at 9am. For more information, contact Councilman Kendall Spence or Councilwoman/Mayor Pro Tem Sandy Coughlin.